

The Workers Of Ontario
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[Chorus]

Dm **E** **G#**
We are the workers of Ontario
D **C** **A**
The workers of Ontario
Dm **G**
We hail from the north and from the south
F
In the north we mine the ore
Em **A**
In the south we manufacture
Dm **G** **D**
We are a part of the Canadian
G **A** **Dm**
Canadian proletariat

[Verse 1]

D **A**
We are the workers of Ontario
Em **A** **D**
We work for the rich of the United States
G **C#m** **F#m** **Bm**
We work for the rich of Canada
Em **A** **D**
We work under the yoke of wage-slavery
Am **D** **G** **C**
Hauling the riches out of the earth
F **Bm** **E**
Manufacturing commodities for the rich to sell.
Am **D**
We are the workers of Ontario
G **Em** **A**
A mighty section of the Canadian working class.

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D **A**
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Em **A** **D**
 Long oppressed by the graft and corruption
G **C#m** **F#m** **Bm**
 Brought into the organised working class
Em **A** **D**
 By the blacklegs, the sellouts and traitors
Am **D** **G** **C**
 The labour aristocracy
F **Bm** **E**
 Those who swear by the name of Capital
Am
 Big bosses of the Autoworkers, Steel and other unions
G **E** **A**
 Everyone of them want our blood to be sucked.

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D A
 In the 40s we fought against exploitation
 Em A D
 And in the 50s we never stopped
 G C#m F#m Bm
 Many were the struggles which the rich cannot forget
 Em A D
 Yet still they say we re for the capitalist system.
 Am D G C
 Yet, our ideology is Marxism-Leninism
 F Bm F
 We re workers and like workers everywhere
 Am D
 Our aspiration is for socialism
 G E A

Ushered in by violent revolution

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